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Flow Control Clamp

Mail Stop Amendment
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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF MAY 11, 2007

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed May 11, 2007. A request for continued examination is being submitted herewith. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this response.